

THE PUTNEY COLUMN.

F. L. PIERCE BANKRUPT.

There are About 125 Creditors—Total Liabilities \$34,445—Amount Due to Help in Wages \$1408.

Franklin L. Pierce, whose mill was burned recently, filed a petition in bankruptcy Saturday. His assets are given as \$24,927.50, and his liabilities as \$34,445. The assets include real estate valued at \$11,500, which is covered by mortgages, and policies of insurance amounting to \$16,236.17. The James Crawford estate and the Vermont National bank are large holders of securities. The secured claims amount to \$28,250, and the unsecured claims \$5,000. There are due him as wages \$1408.25. There are about 125 creditors. George Pierce has brought suit to recover a bill of \$1600 and has attached a carload of lumber. The first meeting of the creditors will be held in the office of F. D. Stowe in Brattleboro, referee in bankruptcy, April 16, when a trustee will be elected. Mr. Pierce has been unfortunate in his business ventures, having lost five mills by fire, causing a loss of over \$30,000 on which there was some insurance. With this burden upon him it has been difficult to carry on business, and while there is universal regret at the outcome all will agree that he has taken the best course to get on a new footing.

Miss Helen Robertson went today to Springfield, Mass., for a visit of several days.

Liverman E. E. Blood has been seriously ill with appendicitis again this week.

W. E. Ayer of Windsor visited relatives in town the first of the week, returning Tuesday.

The basketball team defeated the Griffin team 23-11 in the town hall Thursday night of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. VanCort of Saxtons River are spending two weeks with Mrs. VanCort's parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Holland.

Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Britton went Monday to Boston to spend three or four days buying goods partly for themselves and partly for A. M. Corser.

The ice has gone out of the river, but the water is so low that the big ferry boats have not yet been put in. Passengers cross the river by means of skiffs.

The terms of office of the members of the board of license commissioners are as follows: W. G. Treadway, six years; J. Ayer, four years; W. G. Treadway, two years.

The Congregational Sunday school has adopted a graded system, using the Blake-Jessons. There are six grades. The graduating exercises will be held each year on Easter Sunday, beginning next year.

Leon Heenan entertained 15 of his playmates at a birthday party Saturday afternoon. The occasion being his sixteenth birthday anniversary. Refreshments were served and games were played.

The Baptist Endeavors will hold a potato sociable next Wednesday evening, March 25, in the church session room, to which all are invited. An admission fee of five potatoes or five cents will be charged, which will help to pay for the refreshments.

Rev. C. E. Hayward preached a powerful sermon to the session contained in Elbert Hubbard's "Message to Garcia," reading the booklet to the congregation while the beginning of the service. He has distributed 100 copies of the booklet about town.

Next Sunday morning at the Baptist church the pastor will begin a series of sermons from the topic "God's School and Its Curriculum," to be followed by others from the topics, Reading, Writing, Arithmetic, etc. In the evening the subject of his sermon will be "Bald Head and Bald Shoulders."

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Littlefield observed the 20th anniversary of their marriage a few days ago. About 25 people were present to enjoy a program of music and games. Refreshments were served. Mr. and Mrs. Littlefield have lived in Putney some 15 years. They have lived in their present home about 12 years.

The closest and fastest basketball game on the local floor was played Wednesday night between the Putney Athletes and the Walpole, N. H., team. The Putney Athletes won 20-28, taking the second successive game of the week. Two more games will be played in the near future.

Mrs. C. D. Britton has engaged two rooms in H. G. Everleigh's house and will open them as millinery rooms next week. One is a large sitting room and the other a bedroom. It will be used as a sewing room. Mrs. Britton has spent five and a half years in the millinery business in Holyoke, three years as head trimmer. Her parlors will fill a long-felt need.

The management of the reading room have secured the use of the vacated room between W. E. Cobb and L. P. Bailey to be used as a game and athletic field. Two tennis courts will be laid out, and a trapize will be provided and equipment for ladies' basketball will be put up. The ground for the tennis courts will be plowed and the young people have wanted a field of this kind for a long time.

Elthu Wilson, 78, died Friday at the home of Solomon Washer in West Dummerston after a week's illness caused by chronic bronchitis complicated by pneumonia. For many years Mr. Wilson lived alone in his house just over the line in Dummerston, devoting his time to fruit growing. About a week before his death he was visited by a relative, who found him ill and had him moved to West Dummerston. The funeral was held there Sunday, Rev. R. K. Marvin, pastor of the Universalist church of Brattleboro, officiating. The burial was in West Dummerston. Mr. Wilson was born in West Dummerston in June, 1825, and always lived in that town with the exception of a few years spent in the West. He had always been a fruit grower and was successful in his younger days. For the past few years he had been afflicted with partial blindness, so that he was able to carry on his work only to a limited extent. During his early life he found time during the winter months to teach school. He had the respect of all who knew him.

Rev. N. Seymour of Washington, D. C., died Feb. 27 at the home of his son, Rev. E. P. Seymour of Interlaken, Mass., formerly of this town.

United States Leads in Coal.
The three great coal producing countries of the world are United States, Great Britain and Germany. Prior to last year Great Britain led the world as a coal producer, but we have made such remarkable increases that the United States now leads. We also have the best family medicine as well, namely, Hostetter's Stomach Bitters. It was first introduced fifty years ago and because it has always been found reliable now occupies the most prominent position as a family remedy. If you have never tried it, take our advice and start today. You will be thankful for the hint, because it positively cures even after other remedies have failed. It is a specific remedy for indigestion, dyspepsia, constipation, biliousness, nervousness, and liver and kidney trouble. Beware of counterfeits.

THE WHIRLPOOL.

LOSS OF THE STEAMER STROCKER IN THE GREEN RIVER RAPIDS.

Many Passengers Narrowly Escape With Their Lives—Thrilling Experience of a Rochester Girl—The Story of the Rescue.

The captain of the steamer George Stroker which went down during a blizzard, in the whirlpool of the Green river, had navigated the rapids for over twenty years previous to the fatal trip. The accident occurred soon after the passengers had breakfasted and many of them were on deck watching the troubled waters. Among them was Miss G. E. Redfern, of No. 98 Amherst street, Rochester, N. Y., and her mother, Mrs. George Stroker, who was the only survivor of the wreck. The rescue of the two women was a thrilling story of the best of the passengers' heroic struggle for life.

"When the boat sunk," says Miss Redfern, "some of the men jumped into the water and swam for shore. Others were clinging to floating bales of goods and these were rescued by some men in a long boat. I was caught on a projection of the steamer and went down with her. One of the crew dived and brought me to the surface when somebody threw a life preserver over my head. A young man helped me on a bale of wool which floated past and so I reached the shore."

At the time of the accident, Miss Redfern was returning to Rochester from Kentucky, but, owing to the shock of the wreck, she remained home in an alarming state of health.

"I was covered with ice," she said, "when they brought me ashore. I was black and blue from my bruises and my relatives said they did not think I would live. And for a long time, until I took Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People, my nervous system was a wreck. Doctors had not helped me and I was very miserable. My health ran down to an alarming degree. I was weak, growth and was extremely nervous. Pink Pills changed all this. In a short time after beginning with them I felt better and, after using a few boxes more, I felt like my old self again."

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WEST CHESTERFIELD, N. H.

Ira Farr has been housed ten days with grip complicated with heart trouble.

Miss Ethel Carey has been spending a three weeks' vacation with relatives in Keene.

Only a small amount of sugar has been made and the prospect for a favorable season is dubious.

Miss Blanche Carey has been spending the past week with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Gilman Carey.

Miss Gertrude Rice, who has been sick three months, is no better at this writing. A council of physicians has held a few days ago.

The ladies of the Universalist society will hold their annual sugar supper and dance in Citizens' hall on Friday evening, March 20. Music for dancing will be furnished by the local band.

The next regular meeting of the Grange will be held Saturday evening, March 21. Sweet corn for canning and methods of treating fruit trees will be subjects for consideration. A short literary program will be presented.

Mr. Edgar Stearns of Reading fell recently while going from the house to the barn, fracturing the bone in one leg near the knee.

On the 15th of this month Mr. and Mrs. Lewis celebrated the 50th anniversary of their marriage. Four of their five children are now living, and they have six great grandchildren.

Miss Esther Campbell is at her father's for a few days.

Miss Edith Hill, the nurse, is caring for Dr. Conland in Brattleboro.

Rev. William A. Burch will preach in the chapel Sunday at 11 a. m.

Vernon Grange will hold a regular meeting next Saturday evening.

J. A. Bond of Burlington visited at B. A. Streeter, Sr.'s on Wednesday.

Will Fletcher of Brattleboro has returned from W. A. Squires' house.

M. I. Reed is out after an illness with bronchitis, followed by the prevailing distemper.

Mrs. A. H. Jaquith and son are visiting Mrs. Jaquith's daughter in Southbridge, Mass.

Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Gould have bought a place in Ludlow, Vt., and will leave town in a few days to occupy their new home.

Last Friday evening the neighbors' meeting was at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Barnes. The prizes in progressive euchre were won by Miss Zella Johnson, Mrs. J. T. Wright and E. H. Akley.

Several of our young people will present a drama entitled "Our Folks" next Thursday evening, March 26, beginning at 8 o'clock. An effort has been made to furnish a pleasing entertainment and a cordial invitation is extended to all to attend. The drama will be given in the vestry room. The proceeds will be used for church purposes.

Miss Bessie Purple visited Mrs. A. E. Weatherhead over Sunday.

Eugene Brooks has returned from his hunting trip in Canada, and the moose hunt was successful. He has secured a moose.

Miss Laverna Stebbins is very sick with pneumonia. Mr. Carr is housed with measles.

Ernest Powers has sold his tobacco, grown on the E. Lines farm, to Mr. Kiley of Hatfield, Mass., for 90 cents.

Rev. George E. Tyler of Bristol, Conn., and Mrs. J. L. Brockwell of West Brattleboro have visited recently with their mother, Mrs. E. Tyler.

Two Central Vermont freight trains collided in the railroad yard Sunday night, disabling one engine and several cars. No one was seriously injured.

M. Camille Hugo, who arrived at New York Saturday on the American liner St. Paul, said to be the tallest man in the world. His height is eight feet, two inches, weight 562 pounds, chest measurement 133 inches. He wears a shoe 22 inches in length, and the measurement from one shoulder to the other is four feet. He was found living in the suburbs of Paris, and was brought to this country to appear in a circus.

HINSDALE, N. H.

Will Miner is a victim of the measles.

Mrs. O. C. Robertson has been ill with grip several days.

Frank Sargent lost another horse by sickness Saturday.

Mrs. F. H. Fuller is one of the latest victims of influenza.

Mrs. George Kayou visited a niece in Harrisville Friday.

Prof. and Mrs. P. Mason of Peterboro are visiting relatives in town.

Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Davis are visiting his brother in Hartford, Conn.

Miss Anna Gibson has been renewing old friendships in town this week.

Mrs. Helen M. Worden visited her sister, Mrs. Estabrook, in Keene last Friday.

Mrs. A. F. Fisher entertained her niece, Miss Mary Ashford of Keene, over Sunday.

Frank Fletcher of Ira, N. Y., has been spending a few days with Hinsdale relatives.

Representative F. H. Fuller took a delightful trip to the White Mountains last week.

Mrs. and Mrs. F. S. Leonard have been spending a few days in Concord and Boston.

The house formerly occupied by Sewall S. Day and family is undergoing necessary repairs.

Miss Fanny Sewall visited at her home in Montague, Mass., from Wednesday until Saturday.

Joseph Lacroix of Peterboro has opened a barber shop at Dominick Belleville's old stand.

Ralph Garber and daughter, Miss Mabel, are spending a few days at their former home in Shaftsbury, Vt.

Andrew M. Hildreth has returned from Springfield, Mass., and has gone to work in the Halls & Frost mill.

S. K. Hildreth resumed work in the Halls & Frost mill Tuesday after being out for two or three weeks.

Harris Bolton has not through work at the Amidon clothing store. He went from here to Pittsburgh Monday.

Miss Anna Gibson has so far recovered from her long illness as to be able to walk out and to call on friends.

The Art and Craft club will meet with Mrs. H. C. Holland at Hotel Ashuelot Tuesday evening.

Miss Sophia Skinner of Keene was the guest of her sisters, Mrs. E. A. Wilder and the Misses Weisman, last week.

James McCormick of Holy Cross College has been at his home here a few days because of a mild fever.

Miss Katherine Healy returns to her old place in C. E. Keyser's store this week after an absence of two months.

Mrs. E. A. Coggin of Claremont is spending a few weeks with her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Blanchard.

Miss Edythe Sims of Belknap Falls was at her home here over Sunday. She was accompanied by her friend, Miss Cook.

The many friends of Mrs. Jane Archibald will be rejoiced to know that she continues to improve from her critical illness.

The Pilgrim Fathers with their families had their annual maple sugar and jam sale at Fay's hall Monday evening.

Mr. Amstey, who has been employed at the Halls & Frost mill, has given up his place, and returned to his home in Canada.

A. H. Crowninshield of Jamaica, Vt., was in town a few days last week, visiting relatives. He is somewhat improved in health.

Mrs. Temple and little daughter of Franklin Falls have been the guests of Mrs. Nellie Stewart at A. W. Bliss's a few days.

Mrs. George Goodrich of Millers Falls and Mrs. Lizzie Stanley of Boston visited their aunt, Miss Anna Gibson, briefly last week.

Miss Archibald, the trained nurse who cared for Mrs. Archibald, will go to Brattleboro this week.

Marion, a little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Curran, is very ill with typhoid fever and is being cared for by a trained nurse.

Mrs. Alice Swift returned to her home in Lynn, Mass., Saturday after spending several weeks with her father, the aged Lockhart Weisman.

The old Ned Carroll place on Fitzgerald avenue was sold Tuesday at auction. The purchaser was James Hancock, and the amount paid was \$800.

Mr. and Mrs. Thompson have returned from Winchester and are at the home of Mr. Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. John P. McLaughlin.

John Fisher has stored his household goods in one of the Taylor buildings on Northfield street. He went with his family to Springfield, Mass., Friday.

Mrs. Trombley of Keene, who was with Mrs. Hildreth when she died March 1st, died Sunday at her home, of pneumonia after an illness of only four days.

The class of 1903, Hinsdale High school, has accepted the services of the Schubert quartet of Boston, and a reader to assist in the graduating exercises in June.

Miss Carrie J. Stearns, teacher of music in Goddard Seminary at Barre, Vt., will Thursday to spend the Easter vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Newton Stearns.

Road Agent F. B. Chandler was thrown from his carriage at the north part of the town Saturday evening in a collision with a horse.

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ASHUELOT, N. H.

Mrs. M. J. Welch has been entertaining an aunt from Haverhill, Mass., and Mrs. Gustave Polier visited relatives in Massachusetts last week.

Norman Phelps was a visitor in Pittsfield and North Adams, Mass., Saturday.

Petty tickets were sold at the station Tuesday evening for the special train to the Catholic entertainment in Hinsdale.

Thomas Beach has sold his farm on the Chesterfield road, known as the Quilley place, to Victor Fisher.

George E. Hayes has resigned as superintendent and head bookkeeper at the Sherburne mill on account of ill health.

Charles English has stored his household goods and taken his family to Claremont, where he is employed in a wooden mill.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie L. Haskell of North New Salem, Mass., were visitors at Mr. and Mrs. Gustave Polier's from Friday to Monday.

Amos C. Hayes and family went to Guilford, Vt., Saturday, to his father's where they will remain until Mr. Hayes fully recovers his health.

Miss Elvira Jackson has given up her position in a woolen mill at Marlboro and returned to her home here, where she will remain for the present.

The recently organized brass band has its members, who meet twice a week for practice. They are making good progress and expect to give a concert in a few months.

The town and school meetings at Windsor last week Tuesday and Saturday were largely attended by the residents of these villages. \$90 was appropriated at the school meeting to lay sidewalk flags in the two school corners and half the lower Ashuelot school building, being the first appropriation made for repairs since the building was built 25 years ago.

There was a land slide 30 feet long and three feet deep on the railroad track on a short distance above this station near Wells crossing early last week Wednesday morning that held all trains for some time. A train was run from Keene and passengers were carried by during the forenoon. A wood lot above this point was cleared off a year ago, and the logs which were rolled down this bank and landed on cars loosened the earth and the heavy rain of the previous night caused the slide.

WHITINGHAM.

Mrs. John Dix is very sick with pneumonia.

Mrs. Whidden is staying at the Springs Hotel.

The weather is too warm for sugar making.

Mary Kildridge is visiting at Jason Stafford's.

Kate Benjamin went home Wednesday for a short vacation.

Hazel Bemis is visiting Christine Putnam at G. W. Kimfield's.

Lawyer C. C. Pitts of Brattleboro was a guest at C. S. Chase's Monday.

William Sprague has returned to town. He is working for Henry Wheeler.

Amherst Snow shot a very large mink in the old shoe factory cellar hole Friday.

William Underwood has moved his goods to his new home at Jason Stafford's.

Maude Wheeler came home the 9th from Northampton to visit her sister, Bertha, who is very ill.

Some 500 or more barrels of apples were drawn to the Whitingham station the last part of last week.

Mrs. Rosa Jepson came from Shelburne Falls Friday to care for her sister, Mrs. Willis Chase, but returned Tuesday.

At the close of the morning service at the church last Sunday the ordinance of baptism will be administered to six candidates.

About 20 were at C. S. Goodnow's last Friday evening, the almost impassable condition of the roads preventing more from going.

All young persons in the town of Whitingham under 21 years of age who think they are entitled to an education in higher English under the act of our last legislature, which will go into effect April 1, are requested to write immediately to one of the school directors of the town.

Mrs. Joseph Chase, who had been a great sufferer for years, was a complete invalid, passed away Sunday afternoon. The funeral was held from the Baptist church Tuesday afternoon, many friends and relatives being present. Her son, Bert, and his wife, and grandchildren, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Barnard, of Wilmington, were at the funeral. She leaves a husband, three children, grand children and a great grand child.

Pupils in Michigan must hereafter go directly home after the close of school. The supreme court of the state has declared that such a rule is valid and may be enforced by the principal. Furthermore, if a principal sees a pupil may enter the store and order the children he finds there to leave and go home, and the owner of the store cannot get damages on the ground that the principal has driven away trade and injured the business of the store.

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